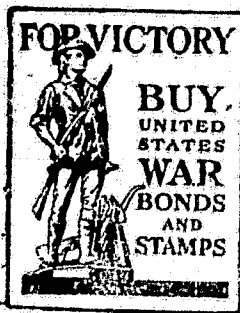
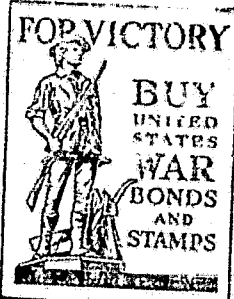


I WOULD RATHER SIT ON A PUMPKIN AND HAVE IT ALL TO MYSELF THAN BE CROWDED ON A VELVET CUSHION.—Thoreau



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ALLIED AFRICA FORCE MOUNTS; RESTRICTION GAS-OIL NOT LESSENE

"There is no hope for any lessening of the restrictions upon the use of gasoline and fuel oil," OES Director Byrnes said after a conference with the officials in charge of the nation's petroleum program. Mr. Byrnes asked the administrators of the three agencies responsible—the OPA, the ODT, and the Petroleum Administration for War—to submit as soon as possible their suggestions on various phases of the problem, and in the meantime to take steps to increase supply and improve rationing methods.

The immediate problem of petroleum is the result of unanticipated demands for military purposes. And since 30 states are fuel-oil-rationed and all of the states gas-rationed, the problem is of vital interest to the entire nation. The suspension order on the sale of gasoline in the 17 Eastern States and the District of Columbia lasted only a day and a half, but when the order was lifted at 12.01 a. m. Dec. 21, B and C coupons in the area had been reduced in value from four to three gallons and the issuance of these books had been suspended. OPA said that when issuance is resumed a "new and tougher" policy will go into effect, with local ration boards instructed to hold issuance of extra rations to the "absolute minimum." Meanwhile, a new drive has been launched against black market operations; with 800 investigators in the east coast rationed area working to prevent illegal distribution. This means increased emphasis on strict enforcement of all gasoline rationing regulations, and special attention given to suppliers of T or commercial vehicles. Gasoline dealers have been told that they will be held "strictly accountable" for violations.

The ODT asked all truck, bus and taxicab owners whose Certificates of War Necessity do not provide sufficient mileage and fuel allotments to estimate their requirements carefully and apply for the minimum amount of fuel necessary for essential operations. Secretary Wickard called on farmers in the East to cooperate to the utmost in conserving fuels and to buy only enough for current needs.

Fuel Oil

WPB has approved the barge, tugboat and towboat building program recommended by the ODT, and construction will begin shortly on 500 wooden tank barges, 21 steel hull towboats and 100 tugboats to enable an additional daily Eastward barge movement of 50,000 barrels of residual fuel oil within five months and 100,000 within 10 months. Terminals will be built at Jacksonville and Panama City, Fla., and at Cairo, Ill. These home owners who have exhausted their currently valid fuel oil rations can now use up to one-half their coupons for the next heating period, and office building, apartment houses and other commercial buildings which because of a lack of labor or materials, have been unable to convert heating equipment to coal, may use temporary fuel oil rations after the Jan. 26 deadline. Due to the recent protracted spell of abnormally cold weather, consumers in the Eastern area may use their third-period fuel oil coupons any time after Dec. 28.

The War Front

Secretary Hull, describing the assassination of Admiral Darlan as an odious and cowardly act, said that the all important consideration now is not to be "diverted for a moment from the supreme objective" of gaining control of the

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ANNOUNCE QUOTAS FOR MACHINERY RATIONING

Fred J. Nutter, chairman of the Maine U. S. D. A. War Board, announces the quotas of new farm machinery expected to be available for rationing to Maine farmers in 1943.

Seventy-five percent of the state quotas of most items has been allocated to counties by the War Board, with the assistance of a technical committee. Quotas for some items of which only a few available will be set up on an area basis.

The number following each item is the state quota One-horse single row corn planter, 26; potato planters, 70; potato diggers, 70; potato sorters and graders, 43; grain drills, 5; lime spreaders, 5; manure spreaders, 50; walking two-horse and larger moldboard plows, 22; tractor-drawn or mounted moldboard plows, 113. Spike-tooth harrows, 109; spring-tooth harrows, 141; disc harrows, 210; one-horse cultivators, 57; walking cultivators, 5; riding cultivators, 10; tractor-drawn cultivators, 100; wheel-type tractors, 196; farm wagons, 84; milking machines, 650; separators, 40; milk coolers, 88.

Garden planters, 8; garden tractors, 77; fertilizer distributors, 268; soil pulverizers and packers, 12; feed grinders, 7; engines, 26.

Horse-drawn mowers, 140; tractor mowers, 185; dump rakes, 100; side-delivery rakes, 94; hay loaders, 40; grain binders, 6; combines, 6-ft and less, 14; corn binders, 3; ensilage cutters, 5.

The War Board is attempting to secure larger quotas on some machines for which the need is great, accepting smaller quotas on items of which the state allotment seems to be higher than necessary.

GAS AND OIL SAVING HELPS ARMED FORCES

The combined savings of millions of Americans, in motoring and heating, particularly among those living along the Atlantic Seaboard, helped our army land in North Africa and attack the axis, but the total quantity of these products needed for a continuing campaign is enormous, and will require the service of a fleet of tankers. For this reason the army has sent an urgent plea to civilians to save gasoline and fuel oil in every possible way. At the same time the petroleum Administrator has warned that several areas in the east have only enough motor gas for essential needs—supplies in storage have been drained by non-essential driving beyond previous estimates.

Although fuel oil rations have been increased 10 percent in 13 Middle Western States every effort is being made to conserve oil stocks throughout the entire area of 30 rationed states. In order to encourage conversion from fuel oil to coal new coal stoves have been made available to those who will use the heater to replace fuel oil equipment who need to heat an unheated space for essential working or living whose present coal-burning equipment is not usable, or who are eligible for additional fuel oil and will use a coal heater instead.

STATE U. S. O. QUOTA TO BE EXCEEDED

The many friends of and contributors to the United Service organizations will find encouragement in the letter received this week by Robert B. Dow of Norway who served as County Chairman of the 1942 campaign.

December 28, 1942

Robert B. Dow, Esq.,
Oxford County U. S. O. Chairman
Norway, Maine

Dear Mr. Dow:

Although all the figures for the Maine 1942 U. S. O. Campaign are not yet in I wish, before 1943 is over, to officially express my appreciation to you and the generous and patriotic people of Oxford County.

It is certain when all the returns are in that the State of Maine will have exceeded its U. S. O. Campaign quota.

Oxford County, under your leadership, was among the first to organize and lend its support to the U. S. O. Campaign. Particular commendation is due Oxford County for assuming the heavy obligations of a quota twice as large as last year's when, since Pearl Harbor, the man power of the County has been drained for war and defense work outside the County.

On behalf of the boys in the Service, and the National and State U. S. O. organization I wish to publicly express the appreciation due you and the generous people of Oxford County. To accomplish this object I am sending a copy of this letter to the newspapers published in Oxford County and hope they will give it the publicity it deserves.

Yours very truly,
HORACE A. HILDRETH
State Chairman
U. S. O. 1942 Campaign

NEW FIRE WHISTLE VOTED MONDAY EVE

At a special meeting of the Bethel Village Corporation Monday evening it was voted to buy a new fire alarm to replace the siren in use for some 20 years. The old whistle has become increasingly unsatisfactory during the past year and many feel that it should have been discarded long ago.

The following committee was appointed to investigate and was authorized to purchase the new equipment: Chief Engineer Lloyd Luxton, Village Corporation Assessor Harold Chamberlain and Clerk D. Grover Brooks, Selectmen Ernest Bisbee and John Howe.

SWEETSER—DAYE

A quiet wedding took place at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Philip W. Daye Christmas evening, when their eldest daughter, Phyllis W. Daye, and Richard C. Sweetser were united in marriage by Rev. M. A. Gordon, using the single ring service. The couple were attended by the bride's parents. The bride wore a beautiful aqua blue evening gown.

Mr. Sweetser is the son of the late David and Christie Phillips Sweetser of Littleton, N. H. He has employment at the South Portland shipyard. The young couple plan to live in Portland in the near future. Their many friends wish them much happiness in their new life.

SEEKING NAMES OF MOTHERS HAVING FOUR OR MORE IN COUNTRY'S ARMED FORCES

Mothers of Maine! If you have four or more members of your family serving in the armed forces, will you kindly communicate with the War Savings, Staff, Federal Building, Augusta? We are anxious to know the names of all mothers who have given their sons and daughters to Uncle Sam for the duration. We would like the names and addresses of the mothers together with the names and addresses of the sons and daughters who are in the service. Also for additional information, we would like to know the date of enlistment or induction in service and the date and place of birth of the service man or woman.

ONOFRIO RUMORS UNCONFIRMED

Friends of Christino Onofrio have been disturbed recently by stories to the effect that he had been wounded and was on his way home from the Pacific war area. According to our latest information these rumors are without foundation and letters coming lately tell of other Bethel boys having seen him this month.

A period of cloudy weather preceded rain and sleet, Wednesday which changed to snow in the evening with a fall of about eight inches. Rail traffic has been handicapped to some extent, the east-bound afternoon passenger train today being several hours late.

Say you saw it in the Citizen

Due to a communication from Augusta which is posted in the lobby of Bethel Theatre, I shall be required by law to allow no one standing in the theatre or in the lobby while awaiting seats, and when all seats are sold the outside door will be locked.

BETHEL THEATRE
Adrian L. Grover, Mgr.

"Rationing Is A Nuisance"

Have you made this statement with disgust and impatience? Rationing is a nuisance, but as Claude Wickard, Secretary of the U. S. Department of Agriculture and War Food Administration, says: "There are many more nuisances on the battle front and the rationing program is in your interest."

"Why is rationing necessary?" you ask, "for Mr. Wickard said our food production resources are the greatest in the world." It is not only a question of the food supply but of food distribution. So that everyone will get their fair share is why rationing is most important. Without rationing some people would get too little and others too much.

"Why should we starve ourselves to feed the Allies?" First of all, we are not starving ourselves! We will not only have enough food to keep from starving but will have enough for a well-balanced diet. Even in peacetime, families didn't get enough of the right kinds of foods. The effective food program in Britain has meant a rise in the health and nutritional standards of the English people. A strong nutrition program hand in hand with rationing, will also mean better

standards of eating for America. People may not get as much pleasure out of eating, but they'll not die with "bloated bellies!"

Surely no one objects to the fact that our fighting men are the best fed in America! To be such, civilian gluttony must be curtailed. The more money people make the more apt they are to buy more and more, and waste more food.

To feed the Allies is like feeding our army, for they're fighting our battle as much as we are theirs. The Russians have killed more Germans than any other fighting force. Every German killed by the Russians our boys won't have to face and fight later on. Food for the British people will help them to keep up their record production of war materials. Some of the food produced by our Allies is being used to feed our soldiers, especially in Australia. Sharing our food with the Allies will help win the war. We are not winning the war. It is our war but it will not be our victory if we do not share with and help them.

"Why ration canned food?" Canned and dried foods are being shipped abroad more than are other types of food. Production of

canned goods cannot be increased because there are limits to the materials involved. The steel required for canned food for a year would make 23,000 medium tanks. Therefore, civilians must make adjustments; they must use more of some kinds of foods and less of others. They must re-educate their tastes and overcome some food habits.

"What is the point system?" More details will be published later, but the general plan involves the giving out of ration books with a limited number of coupons or points. The points will be for things in general, such as canned goods. It won't specify what kinds. This gives the consumer and grocer a greater choice. It has been used very successfully in England. Excess stocks of canned goods must be reported. Home-canned fruits and vegetables will not be counted as excess stock.

If you want to help Hitler and the Axis HOARD! Hoarders cheat at the expense of their neighbors, but also cheat themselves, for they will be defeating something the rationing program which is in their own interests.

WEST PARIS

Mrs. Geneva Tuell, Correspondent
George F. Felton

George F. Felton, formerly of West Paris, died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. William Steeves of Hartland, where he had made his home for several years. He was born in Greenwood March 2, 1868, the son of Albert and Mary Bent Felton. He is survived by two daughters, Mrs. Nina Steeves of Hartland and Mrs. Lela McAllister of Auburn; two sons, Leon Felton of Augusta and Floyd Felton of Oxford; and three grandchildren. Funeral services were held from the I. W. Andrews & Son funeral home, South Woodstock, Sunday afternoon, Rev. Eleanor B. Forbes officiating. The remains were entombed at Wayside Cemetery, where burial will take place in the spring.

Briggs-Nason

There was a pretty wedding at the home of the officiating minister, Rev. Eleanor B. Forbes, Christmas eve, when Richard Hooper Briggs of Turner and Miss Dorothy Irene Nason of Auburn were married. The double ring service was used. Their attendants were the bride's sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Chester A. DeCoster. The groom is the son of the late Edward A. Briggs and Mrs. Martena Briggs. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John R. Nason of Auburn.

Miss Ethel Flavin is spending the holiday vacation from teaching at Paterson, N. J., with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Flavin.

Mr. and Mrs. Odel C. Rich Jr. entertained a family dinner party Sunday. The invited guests were Mrs. Mabel A. Mann, Edwin J. Mann, Mr. and Mrs. Lewis J. Mann, Mr. and Mrs. Earle A. Palmer Jr. and son Earle Edwin, Mrs. Eleanor Marcotte and Mrs. Geneva G. Tuell.

Leland Doughty, who has been very ill from an appendectomy at the C. M. G. Hospital, is gaining.

The following program was presented by members of the Universalist Sunday School

Song, Away in a Manger, All
A Christmas Welcome,

What I Like, Arthur Dean
Her Choice, Joan Ring

Song, Christmas Time is Here, Miriam Briggs
Beginners

If You Were Only Five, Starr Andrews

Exercise, Why We Like Christmas, Five Girls, Thoreau Heath,
Eleanor Proctor, Margaret Perham, Constance Swift, Margaret Farr

The Christmas Elephant, Eleanor Coffin

Please Do Not Notice, Warren Emery

BEST WISHES



Looking back over 1942 we think of the friends who have stood by us through this trying year. Looking forward to 1943, we wish you all the blessings that the better days ahead can bring.

BETHEL FEED & GRAIN CO.

Exercise, Things We Want, Four
Boys, Dennis Doughty, Eugene Stone, Edward Buck, Dwight Emery

What Will Santa Do, Muriel Andrews

Not Very Sleepy, Shirley Ann Ellingwood

So Sleepy, Wayne Penley

Darning Song, Four Girls, Jane Day, Pauline Baker, Priscilla Foss, Laurene Buck

A Christmas Greeting, Suzanne Andrews

Christmas Hurray, Jane Whitman

When Santa Comes, Martha Buck, Jeanne Lamb

A Little Sleepy Head, Evelyn Egan

A Christmas Dolly, Dorothy Farr

Not Too Small, Marlene Ring

Exercise, Christmas Wishes, Three Boys, Frank Perham, Franklin Stone, Bradley Perham

Song, Sleep, Little Child, All

Good-Bye, John Foss

FRANKLIN GRANGE ELECLIS; 18 MEMBERS IN SERVICE

Franklin Grange of Bryant Pond met Saturday evening, Dec. 26th and the election of officers took place. Those elected were:

Master, Harris Hathaway

Overseer, Letty Day

Chaplain, Margaret Howe

Lecturer, Verna Swan

Secretary, Martha Dudley

Treasurer, Florence Cushman

Steward, Donald Brown

Assistant Steward, Gardner Cole

Lady Assistant Steward,

Gate Keeper,

Flora,

Ex. Comm.

Hall Agent,

Pianist,

Tellers, Carl Brooks, Letty Day and Dana Dudley for this meeting.

Pfc. Carl R. Brooks from Camp Pickett, Va., a member of this Grange and Mrs. Beatrice Hatna-way Judkins of Farmington Normal School were present. Mr. Brooks gave a short talk, also Mrs. Judkins a few words of greeting. A Christmas tree was enjoyed by all after the meeting.

The next meeting will be Saturday evening, Jan. 2, and will be installation of officers by District Deputy Ellis Davis assisted by Mrs. Ellis Davis as Marshall.

Supper committee is Louvie Cole Agnes Brooks and Martha Dudley

A pretty service was held after the meeting of hanging the framed charter on the wall, of the Grange members who are in the armed forces and also unveiling the service flag for 18 members of the Grange in the armed forces.

ROWE HILL

Mr. and Mrs. Chester Records will spend the winter with Mr and Mrs. N. A. Bryant.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Hanscom and Miss Sandra Martin spent the holidays at Newton Bryant's.

Christmas guests at N. A. Bryant's were Mr and Mrs. Durward Lang and son, Merl, of Locke Mills and Mrs. C. F. Ring and family, East Sumner.

Pfc. Carl Brooks of Fort Pickett, Va., called on friends and relatives Saturday. He is home on a ten day furlough.

"SEAL LIPS—SAVE SHIPS"

No one can reckon what ships,

or how many, have been torpedoed through chance remarks of relatives or friends and others, or what vital information about our war production, war equipment or other confidential matters has leaked through to the axis through careless gossip. A safe rule, applicable to all such matters, is expressed in the saying, "Seal Lips—Save Ships."



Wishing you much joy, good luck, cheer, good health and happiness throughout 1943.

And thanking you for having remembered us so kindly in 1942.

W. J. Wheeler & Co., Inc.
South Paris, Maine

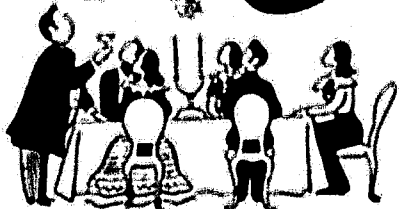


We are proud to have done our part in this community during 1942, and equally proud to have had the hearty support of so many of its citizens. We thank you, one and all, and wish you a very Prosperous New Year.

Van Tel. & Tel. Co.

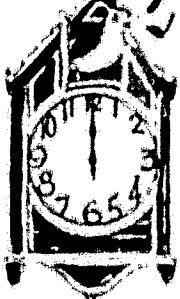


NEW YEAR'S
Season's Greetings
1943



LET A toast to our friends and customers who have helped us so much during 1942, and on whose support we are counting in 1943.

Good cheer, good luck and good health.



Bosserman's Drug Store



ALL OF US HAVE MOVED STEADILY FORWARD THROUGH A TRYING YEAR, WITH OUR HEADS UP AND COURAGE HIGH. OUR SINCERE WISH IS THAT THE NEW YEAR OF 1943 SHALL BRING NEW VISION, NEW COURAGE, NEW REASON FOR HOPE AND OPTIMISM, AND THAT IT WILL BRING MANY UNEXPECTED REWARDS TO YOU.

ERNEST F. BISBEE
Coal

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The SNAPSHOT GUILD

STUNT PICTURES



This is a simple but interesting "stunt" shot—fun to take on a winter evening. How to get such shots is explained below.

EVERY now and then, a stunt picture adds variety to the camera hobby. Of course, you don't want a regular diet of them. But it's fun to have a few in the album—shots that make people say, "For goodness sake! How did you get that one? It's certainly a clever shot!"

The picture above is a fine example of a "stunt shot"—and yet, it was really quite easy to take. The girls simply stood in a circle, then bent over and put their heads together, like a football huddle. The camera was on the floor, focused for a closeup, and pointing straight upward. For light, a small flash bulb was placed beside the camera, and the exposure was made by the simple "open the shutter, flash the bulb, close the shutter" method. It could probably have been taken just as easily by having two good lights an inch or so from the floor, one on either side of the camera.

This is an "up angle" stunt shot, but you could also turn things right around and take a "straight down" shot—maybe from the upper stairway landing—that would be just as interesting.

Another stunt that provides lots of fun is to have part of a subject too close to the camera, so that it

shows up too large . . . being careful, of course, not to hurt anybody's feelings. Doubtless you have seen pictures of a person sitting on a bench, with his feet toward the camera so that they were several sizes over normal. That's "old stuff" now—but try it with a subject's hand. Have him lecturing the camera, or making a speech and gesturing toward the camera—or put a boxing glove on him and have him pretend to take a poke at the camera. With the hand about two feet from the camera, the subject himself can be about four feet back, and appear much smaller. You must use a very small lens opening, but even if the hand is a little out of focus, the effect is still interesting.

One of the most mystifying stunts is to show an object floating in air. This is easy indoors. You just hang up the object by a black thread, and light it with a photo lamp. Then you place a piece of cardboard a foot or two in front of the light, high enough so it just shades the thread but doesn't shade the subject. And the thread is then "lost" against the shadows in the background—it isn't even there.

Try some of these stunts. They're fun on a winter evening—and you'll get pictures that really surprise your friends.

John van Guilder

Women are draftsmen and lever men on railroads, and they are wanted as flagmen, gatemen, pa-

trolmen, watchmen, foremen, and section men.

THE RANGER'S COLUMN

W. F. BOND

—Androscoggin District Ranger—
White Mountain National Forest

WHAT HAS OFTEN been the practice in the past became official last Saturday when government employees in the U. S. Forest Service went on a six day work week. Times have changed, vacations and excess leisure time are out for the duration, and an all out effort to win this all out war is essential. Every one in the country is effected by the war, and however small their contribution may be, it will be felt in the long run. We failed to meet the President's production goal of 1942 in all but ship tonnage. Let's not repeat that failure in 1943.

WITH THE PUBLICATION OF this Ranger column 1942 comes to a close. This has been an eventful year bringing many changes in the lives of everyone. It has also brought many changes in activities of the ranger district including personnel, use of the forest by the public, and has seen the forest change from one managed for peacetime to one managed for war time. The personnel changes first

saw Ranger Waldo, for many years stationed in Gorham, transferred to Laconia to take over the very important position of Forest fire control assistant on the staff of the Forest Supervisor, Ranger Bond then came on from Idaho to fill Waldo's place. Next Dispatcher Gruhl left to accept a position in the aircraft industries, for a long period the district was without a dispatcher, but finally Roy Brown was transferred from the Saco district to fill that position. During the year the column carried items urging the people to get in their fuel wood supply for the winter, and to get in the scrap for the war effort. Many cords of fuelwood were given to the local people, on free use permits, and several tons of scrap were collected and is being collected by the personnel of the district. One activity on the district which was effected by the war more than any other was the use of the forest by recreationists. The shortage of gasoline and tires and people working in war indus-

tries, where very little time for recreation was available attributed to the small number of people, which amounted to about 20 percent of those using the forest in 1941.

THE YEAR 1942 has been an eventful one for all. What ever 1943 may have in store the personnel of the Androscoggin Ranger District hope that it may be a happy and prosperous one for everyone.

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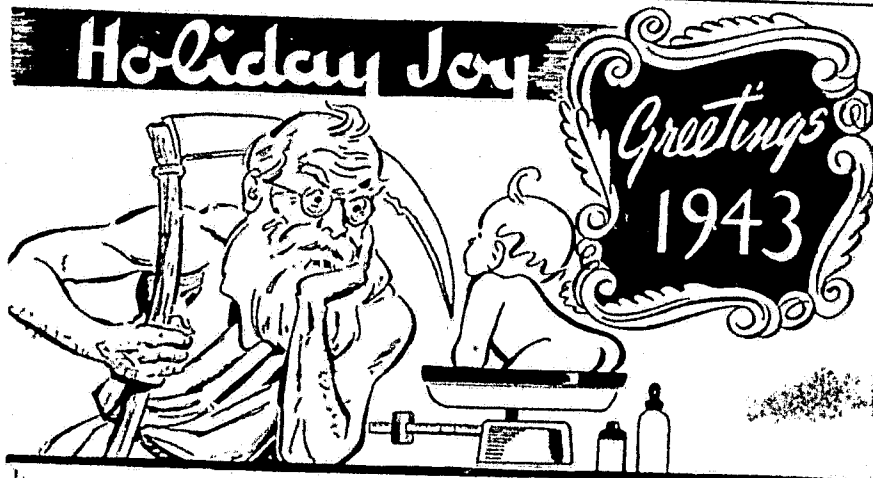
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Heating and Plumbing

Also All Work as Usual

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BRYANT POND, MAINE



Our Wish for Your New Year

During 1942 you, our friends and customers, have all added in your own individual ways to the store of our happy memories as well as to our success. May we, then, wish for you in 1943 all those finer things which make life abundantly worth while.

Bryant's Market



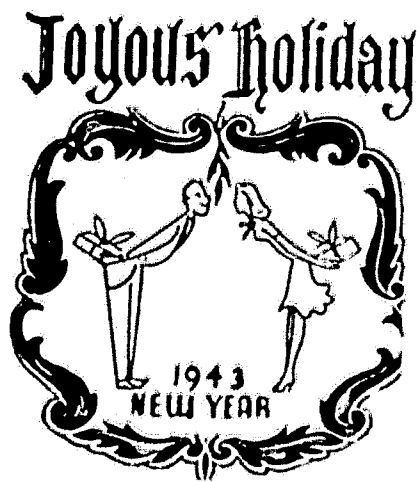
WISHING YOU and yours every happiness and blessing for 1943 as we leave the old year and enter the new...

RUSSELL'S GENERAL STORE
Hanover, Maine



EAGERLY bringing to you our most sincere wishes for the New Year 1943 and trusting that it has much to offer you as the days roll slowly by.

Brown's Variety Store



THIS little greeting comes to you wrapped up with our best wishes for a New Year brim full of the good things of life. And as day follows day in 1943 we hope these good things will continue to come your way.

Bethel Restaurant

THE SHOTS THAT HELP



S. Treasury Dept.

—Courtesy Sheboygan Press.



Durward Ring, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Ring of West Paris, is now stationed at Fort Jackson, Columbia, S. C.

Mrs. Pearl Welch of West Paris has received a letter from her son, Hartson W. Welch Jr., the first since being sent across in September. He wrote that he had been changed from his first station with English speaking people and was now stationed with dark skinned people who speak French.

Pvt. Paul Carter is stationed with an armored division in Los Angeles, Calif.

Pvt. Stanley Lapham of Camp Breckenridge, Ky., was in town a few days last week, called home by the death of his mother, Mrs. Edward Lapham.

Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Cross have received word that their son, Pvt. Alton Cross, has arrived overseas.

Pvt. Stuart Cross is receiving basic training in San Francisco.

Donald Holt, U. S. N., is enjoying a furlough with relatives and friends.

Lee Hutchins and Frederick McMillin left Saturday for service in the U. S. Army.

Cpl. Robert Kirk, stationed at Houlton, has been calling on friends in the vicinity recently.

Sgt. Zedwood Gravelin, formerly of Locke Mills, is now stationed at Boise, Idaho.

Lt. Dwight Martin of Greenwood has been transferred from Camp Roberts, Calif., to Fort Lewis, Wash.

Capt. Fred Stanley, Scarsdale, Locke Mills, has been transferred from Umatilla, Fla., to Winter Garden, Fla.

Derwood Buck of West Paris is now stationed at Jefferson Barracks, Mo.

Sgt. Willard Wight returned to Camp Croft, S. C., Wednesday after spending the Christmas holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Wight, North Newry.

Sgt. Alfred W. Lovejoy of Wayne County Air Base, Romulus, Mich., spent Christmas week at his home at West Bethel, returning Sunday to his post.

Kenneth George Lovejoy, second son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Lovejoy, left Saturday, Dec. 26, for Fort Devens Reception Center to join the armed forces.

Friends of Pvt. Chester Wheeler will be sorry to learn that he has been ill with pneumonia and is still in the hospital. His address is Pvt. C. C. Wheeler, Station Hospital Ward 15, Ft. B. Harrison, Ind.

Cpl. Sharwin L. Pennett was promoted to Sergeant on Dec. 16. He was inducted March 23, 1941, and was sent to Fort Bragg, N. C., where he received his basic train-

NORTH WOODSTOCK

Kenneth Buck of Wentworth Institute is spending his vacation with his parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Whitman and Lloyd Davis visited relatives at Norway Sunday.

Mrs. Emil Helkkinen and family of West Paris visited one evening last week at Edgar Davis'.

Callers at James Knights' Sunday were Alton Bacon, Charles Clifford and Carroll Wing; Monday, Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Whitman, Stanley and Lois, also Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Bryant and daughter June.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Cole and son Richard visited Sunday afternoon with Durward Lavag and family at West Paris.

Several from this community attended Grange Saturday night.

Charles Clifford is doing some carpenter work for Arthur Whitman.

Willard Farwell and family spent Christmas with relatives at East Bethel.

Everett Cole was in Lewiston one day last week.

Clinton Buck was at Lishon Falls on business the first of the week.

Ing. From there he went to Fort Knox, Ky., as an instructor in driving. He joined the 65th Armd. F. A. Bn., Nov. 1 and has been a member of Battery A since. He is stationed at Camp Young, Calif.

Capt. Harry Wilson will return to Camp Shelby, Miss., Friday after spending a holiday furlough with his family.

SSgt. Frank Trimback of Camp Chaffee, Ark., is expected home next week on furlough.

What You Buy With WAR BONDS

Made from the very best materials, the Sub Chasers are the speedsters of our Navy. Light and fast, they are the eyes of the fleet on the water. They displace approximately 1,500 tons and cost about \$2,000,000 each.



We need many of these powerful, fast little boats to cope with the treacherous submarine type of naval warfare fostered by our enemies. Everybody can help pay for more Sub Chasers by putting at least ten percent of his income into War Bonds, Ray Bonds or Stamps every pay day. Buy them from your bank, your post office, or from your office or factory through the Payroll Savings Plan.

U. S. Treasury Department

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Carl L. Brown, Publisher

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 31, 1942

-Years Ago-

40 YEARS AGO—Dec. 31, 1902

Eben Barker has sold his blacksmith business to Wilbert Baker.

Mr. Field, former teacher of Gould's Academy, gave a very interesting and instructive talk to the students Tuesday morning on his travel in Italy.

Arthur Wiley returned to Portland, Monday, to take his final course of lectures in the Maine Medical School.

Sunday River Merton Holt is threshing grain in this place, and he has already threshed 9,000 bushels.

25 YEARS AGO—Dec. 27, 1917

Winfield Wight of Bowdoin College was the week-end guest of Dr. I. H. Wight and family.

Charles Tuell, who has been at Fort Slocum, N. Y., awaiting examination, has been accepted and has enlisted in the Cavalry.

Mrs. Charles Cole has recently received word from her brother, Cornelius Dorey, who was in Halifax at the time of the recent disaster, that he escaped without injury.

A. French Stevens, who has been working in the drug store of W. E. Bosserman, went to South Paris last Friday to assist in the drug store of A. K. Shurtleff & Co.

16 YEARS AGO—Dec. 29, 1926

Homer Smith and family have moved into the Roy Andrews house.

A new Grinnell "dry air" sprinkler system is being installed at Lethal Inn. A similar system was placed in "The Harriette" when that building was completed three years ago.

During the supper hour last Thursday night someone gained entrance of Parker Conner's garage on Mechanic Street through a back window and made their way to the office, where they took from \$25 to \$50 in bills from the cash register.

THE UNITED PARISH APPROACHES NEW YEAR'S

To usher in the new year in a worthy manner the Parish Pilgrim Fellowship are having a New Year's Eve party at the Wilkins House.

The coming of the New Year means the coming of numerous annual meetings. On Wednesday evening the Center Lovell Cabinet meets to plan for the Annual Church Meeting, Saturday evening.

Then, on Monday evening, the Waterford Congregational Church and Parish follow with their double Annual Meeting at the Parsonage, following a buffet supper. Supper will be served at 6 p. m. in order to make time for the two business meetings.

Already we have skipped one meeting! On New Year's Day North Waterford gathers for the Annual Church Dinner and Meeting at the Vestry. The Albany Christmas supper and tree are postponed for the present.

The Albany Church and Community lost a highly esteemed member in the passing last week of Mrs. Florence Lapham; and the heartfelt sympathy of all the friends goes out to her bereaved family.

SONGO POND

Dinner guests at Hollis Grindle's Xmas day were, Mr. and Mrs. Donald Child and daughter, Gloria, and Mrs. Maud Grindle and daughter, Evelyn.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Jewel, Plymouth, N. H. were at her parents' Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Kimball's over the holiday and week end.

Albert Skillings skied Leslie Kimball's horses, Saturday.

The community was saddened by the death of Mrs. Florence Lapham, Wednesday the 23rd.

Mrs. Lena Kimball, Norway was at A. B. Kimball's over the week end.

Harry Logan, Bath, was home for Christmas with his mother, Mrs. Carrie Logan.

Mr. and Mrs. Holli; Grindle and Mr. and Mrs. Donald Child and daughter, Gloria, were at Locke Mills Christmas evening to see Mr. and Mrs. Frank Smith and family and Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Crockett and family.

Albert Skillings has been making a sled for E. E. Swain of Bethel.

Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Kimball, Mr. and Mrs. Abner Kimball, and Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Kimball attended the funeral of Mrs. Florence Lapham at Bethel Saturday afternoon.

THEN AND NOW

A correspondent of the Agricultural News Service writes that he is tired of hearing complaints about the high wartime cost of food. Recalling that he paid 18c for a half-pound of sugar and 90c a dozen for eggs in 1912, he points out that for the same \$35 that he would have paid for 100 pounds of sugar in 1912 he can now buy 100 lbs. sugar, 96 lbs. flour, 24 cans of tomato soup, 48 large cans evaporated milk, a bushel potatoes, 48 oranges, 20 lbs. apples, 2 doz. best eggs, one pound best butter, 10 lbs. oat meal, 10 lbs. beef, 5 lbs. cheese, 1 lb. coffee, qt. fresh milk, 15 cakes soap, 24 large packages washing compound and get more than \$1.50 back in war saving stamps as the change that will be left.

ALLIED AFRICA FORCE

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African continent and the Mediterranean. The battle, he said, is still at a crucial and critical stage, and General Eisenhower and his associates need the fullest measure of unified support. Earlier, Secretary of War Stimson told a press conference that Allied forces on the offensive in Tunisia have a "fairly good margin" of superiority over the Axis forces defending Tunisia and Bizerte, and added that in the air our margin of destruction is



Here we have Old Father Time telling the New Year all the good things we've ordered him to bring you during 1943. We say now, as so often before—

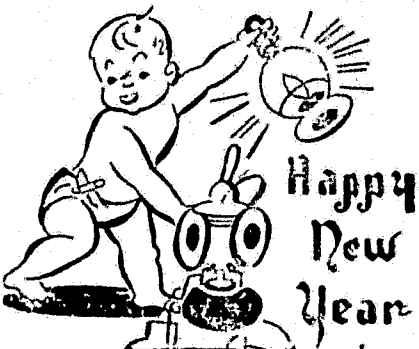
HAPPY NEW YEAR TO ALL!

CROCKETT'S GARAGE

holding at a rate of about two to one. Both sides are bringing reinforcements into Tunisia, but "our side is preparing for an offensive to take Tunis and Bizerte"—the Axis has the advantage of existing bases, but the Allies have the advantage in the mounting size of their forces and the development of new bases.

Meanwhile, land activity has flared up in Tunisia, as Allied forces occupied a dominating position near Medjez-el-Bab. Allied fighters continued their sweeps and patrols over the forward areas, attacking Axis vehicles and destroying Axis planes.

In the South Pacific on Christmas Day, a flight of Army Flying Fortresses took off from the airfield at Guadalcanal to bomb Japanese shipping in the harbor of Rabaul, New Britain Island. They scored three direct hits on a large transport or cargo ship and several near hits close to three smaller cargo vessels. The day before Christmas, U. S. planes from Guadalcanal bombed and strafed the Japanese airfield and shore installations at Munda on New Georgia Island downed 14 intercepting enemy planes and destroyed 10 more on the ground. All the U. S. planes returned undamaged.

Best Wishes 1943
Peace on Earth.

★ Nineteen hundred and forty-three is knocking at the door. May it bring to you some new joy and blessing each twenty-four hours.

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THE BETHEL NATIONAL BANK

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The top of t to you, frie neighbors. A blessings for you—that is wish for you

FARWELL &

EAST BETHEL

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Blanchard and family are guests of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hastings several days while Mr. Blanchard attends meetings in surrounding towns.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hastings and family spent Thursday night and Friday with Mr. and Mrs. Robert Bleckford in Bowdoinham.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Cur'is, daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Shirley Brown of Poland spent Thursday with Mr. and Mrs. Fred Haines and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Bartlett and daughter, of Rumford, were Thursday night guests of Mr. and Mrs. Guy Bartlett. Friday, Mr. and Mrs. Guy Bartlett, Kiehl, and Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Bartlett and daughter were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Loton Hutchinson of Bethel.

Mr. and Mrs. Lauri Tamminen and David were guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Hastings Thursday night and Friday. Other guests Friday were Mrs. George Cole, Leo Cole, and Will Yates of Greenwood.

Mr. and Mrs. James Haines and three children were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Howe on Christmas day. Supper guests were B. W. Kimball, Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Kimball and Larry, Mr. and Mrs. Rodney Howe.

Christmas day guests at Mr. and Mrs. Charles Reed's were Mr. and Mrs. Cuvier Hutchinson and daughter, Aver of Farmington, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Swan and children of Hartford, Conn., Mrs. Ida Blake and her two grandsons, Kenneth and Kermit Wing of Canton.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Holt and family of Canton spent Christmas Day with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Holt.

Mrs. Clifton Bean spent the holiday and week-end with Mr. and Mrs. Urban Bartlett.

NEWRY CORNER

Mrs. Taylor of Rumford spent the week-end with her brother, George Duran.

Roger Hanscom, Henry Lane, Leslie Johnston and Howard Douglass went to Portland Tuesday for their final service examination.

Mr. and Mrs. Chapman joined a family party at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Carey in Woodstock.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Brinek and his father, Walter Brinek, were in town Christmas day.

Mrs. Herbert Morton Jr. and children returned from Auburn last week after spending several days with her parents.

Bear River Grange held a meeting Saturday night, Dec. 28.

Willard Wight of Camp Croft, S. C., and Miss Sylvia Barnett of Rumford were making calls in town Saturday.

NORTH NEWRY

Miss June Enman of Boston is at home for the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Wight had for Christmas dinner guests Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Wight and son, Eric, Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Wight and daughter Elizabeth, Sgt. Willard Wight, Miss Sylvia Barnett, George Wight and Everett Lane. Roger Hanscom went to Portland Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Hartley Hanscom entertained their children Sunday and enjoyed a Christmas tree in the afternoon.

Mrs. Clark Morse with her children has moved to Bethel.

Christmas Program

The program was broadcast from Christmas Land through the North Newry Radio Station, Announcer—Elden Bennett.

Christmas Carol, O Come All Ye Faithful, School Reading, The Bible Story of Christmas.

Prayer, Mr. Scruton Christmas Carol, Joy to the World, School.

A Big, Big Wish, Priscilla Eames.

A Very Small Person's Message, Patricia Learned.

The Longest Day, Leroy Learned.

Dialogue, At Christmas Time, 12 Children.

Greedy Jim, Dicky Wait.

A Christmas Secret, Marilyn Richard.

Christmas Songs, Pauline and Walter Enman and Richard Blake. The Christmas Grouch, Five Boys. The Little Fir, Barbara Walke.

Christmas Just the Same, Irene Richard. The Santa that Wouldn't be Fooled, Teddy Olson.

Dialog, Joy Bells of Christmas, Nine children. The Week Before Christmas.

Legend of the Christmas Candle, Elizabeth Lane.

The Message of the Chimes, Barbara Learned.

Carols, Away in a Manger, The First Noel, Silent Night, School.

Joe Palooka says—



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Speed the Time, Paul Wight. Song, America.

The School wishes to thank Mrs. L. E. Wight and Mr. Scruton for helping with the program, L. E. Wight for acting as advance agent for Santa Claus, also the Older Young People's Group for their contribution to the Christmas tree.

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WEST BETHEL

Miss Esther Mason spent Christmas at home with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Mason.

Miss Marilyn Abbott is visiting her sister Joyce in Brunswick. Frank Kinnure of Everett, Mass., spent a few days with Mrs. Estella Goodridge and family last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Casey of Portland were Christmas guests at the Johnson home.

A Christmas dinner party at the Lovejoy home included as guests Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Lovejoy of Bryant Pond, Davine, Richard and Marjorie Jean Farren, John Westleigh of Mason, and Sgt. Alfred Lovejoy of Romulus, Mich.

Miss Mary Jodrey of Portland was at home over the holiday. Roland Kneeland spent several days with his family Christmas week.

Robert Gilbert returned to work Monday after spending Christmas at home.

Ernest Perkins left Tuesday, Dec. 29, for Portland for examination for the armed forces.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Rolfe and family spent Christmas with Mrs. Rolfe's parents at Locke Mills.

Miss Esther Burris is spending two weeks vacation from the Gou'd Academy office with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Burris.

Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Cusning and Will Bennett of Hebron were Christmas guests in town.

Mr. and Mrs. Burton Newton are receiving congratulations upon the birth of a son, Roy Burton. Mrs. Grace Morrill is caring for mother and baby.

A farewell party for Sgt. Alfred Lovejoy included Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Kendall, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Rolfe and Miss Mary Jodrey, who were supper guests at the Lovejoy home on Saturday evening.

HANOVER

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Worcester and sons left Friday for West Lebanon Me., where he will resume his teaching activities, after spending a week's vacation at his home in town.

Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Saunders entertained at a family dinner and Christmas tree Friday night, Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Saunders, and sons Richard and Addison and daughter Susan Jane, all of Bethel; Wallace Saunders of Houlton and Mrs. Gene Daly of Portland.

Frank Worcester assisted Mrs. Douglas in the post office during the holiday rush.

Mr. and Mrs. Stora Wright were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Barnett Saturday and Sunday.

Cedric Russell visited at his parents recently. His father, who is in the Community Hospital is reported as somewhat improved in health.

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SOUTH ALBANY

Leon Kimball is much improved after his recent illness.

Mrs. Lilla Stearns is in Portland with her son Leo and wife, who are the proud parents of a baby boy born Dec. 16.

Jean Bennett has been spending some time with her aunt, Mrs. Olive Spinney.

Roy and Arthur Wardwell have been hauling ice for Harry Spring, Hugh Stearns, Walter Canwell and Ernest Wentworth.

Joseph Pechnik spent Christmas at his home in South Paris.

Murray Ring has purchased a milking machine.

Ivan Kimball was in Bethel Saturday.

Mrs. Hazel Wardwell was a guest of her brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Kimball, at Locke Mills Sunday afternoon.

The community was saddened to hear of the death of Mrs. Florence Lapham. Our sympathy goes out to the family.

Mrs. Linwood Ring and two children were guests of her sister, Alice Wardwell, on Tuesday.

W. H. Ray and son Stanton called at Roy Wardwell's on business Monday afternoon.

STATE OF MAINE

To all persons interested in either of the Estates hereinafter named:

At a Probate Court, held at Paris in and for the County of Oxford, on the third Tuesday of December, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and forty-two, from day to day from the third Tuesday of said December. The following matters having been presented for the action thereupon hereinafter indicated, it is hereby Ordered:

That notice thereof be given to all persons interested, by causing a copy of this order to be published three weeks successively in the Oxford County Citizen, a newspaper published at Bethel, in said County, that they may appear at a Probate Court to be held at said Paris, on the third Tuesday of January, A. D. 1943, at 10 of the clock in the forenoon, and be heard thereon if they see cause.

Ellen Swan, late of Hanover, deceased; Will and petition for probate thereof and the appointment of Clarence G. Howe as executor of the same to act without bond as expressed in said Will, presented by Clarence G. Howe, the executor therein named.

Witness, Albert J. Stearns, Judge of said Court at Paris, this third Tuesday of December in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and forty-two.

EARLE R. CLIFFORD, Registrar

SUNDAY RIVER

Sunday River School closed with an evening entertainment as follows:

Welcome Song, School
Welcome Poem, Clyde Nowlin
Christmas Reading, Peace, Jane Bean

Magic, Raymond Nowlin
Choral Reading, Stars of Christmas Shine, Raymond Nowlin, Barbara Nowlin, Norma Enman

Song, White Christmas, Jane Bean, Norma Enman, Raymond and Barbara Nowlin

Wishing, David Fleet
Song, Snow Man, Norma Enman, Raymond and Barbara Nowlin

Christmas Came to Our House, Jane Bean
Choral Reading, Snow Birds, Barbara and Raymond Nowlin, Norma Enman

Christmas Reading, Toyland, Norma Enman
Candles, Barbara Nowlin
Playlet, Phoning Santa, Suzanne Wight

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Choral Reading, Snow Birds, Barbara and Raymond Nowlin, Norma Enman

Presents, Edward McDonald
Two-Part Song, Joy Bells, Jane Bean, Barbara Nowlin, Raymond Nowlin, Norma Enman

If I Had a Hundred Dollars, David Fleet
Choral Reading, Mittens, Barbara Nowlin, Norma Enman, Raymond Nowlin

Song, Christmas Ship, School
Choral Reading, Toes, Norma Enman, Barbara and Raymond Nowlin

Song, Gingerbread Man; solo Suzanne Wight; chorus, Jane Bean, Norma Enman, Raymond and Barbara Nowlin

Reading, I Must Go Back, Barbara Nowlin

Choral Reading, Jingle, Norma Enman, Raymond Nowlin

Two-Part Song, Star Daisies, School

Reading, Greetings, Norma Enman, Raymond Nowlin

Song, Santa Claus, School

Singing, Christmas Carols, All

The tree was then enjoyed.

Mrs. Kimball, Charles Demeritt and daughter of Waerford were at the school tree.

Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Foster were at Stanley Roberts' for Christmas.

Mrs. Harland Scott and Mrs. Pauline Bean of Hartford, Conn., were at R. M. Bean's.

Johnnie Nowlin of Portland was home over Christmas.



THE year 1942 is now a closed book, and we enter 1943 with new zeal, new hope and new objectives. One of our main objectives is to serve you still better. We thank you cordially for the support you have given us during a year that has tried men's souls, and wish you every blessing that 1943 can possibly bring.

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DAY AND NIGHT SERVICE

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Stanley of Old Orchard were holiday and week-end guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Warren. Their daughter Dawn remained for a longer visit.

PLEASE!

It is extremely important, especially in our Army, Navy, and Marine subscriptions, that we have notice of address changes as early as possible. In many instances we have received notice from post offices authorities, which is a cause of delay or mislaid copies and an added expense to us. May we ask that subscribers and donors of subscriptions cooperate with us for better service. THE CITIZEN.

BETHEL

Mrs. Paul Thurston is visiting relatives in Massachusetts. Horace Littlefield of Flagstaff is visiting his father Horace Littlefield.

Miss Jean Fall visited in Haverhill, Mass., over the holiday and week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Bailey of Portland visited relatives in town on Sunday.

Miss Ida Cushman of Bryant Pond spent Monday with Mrs. Carl Brown.

Miss Carolyn Wight is visiting Mr. and Mrs. Richard Verville in Haverhill, Mass.

Miss Barbara Hall was a Christmas guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Norman Hall.

Miss Constance Phibbrick is enjoying her holiday vacation in New Jersey and Rangeley.

Miss Elizabeth Mason is spending a vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Herman Mason.

Misses Virginia Davis and Elizabeth Lyon visited friends in West Paris over the week-end.

Ralph Bannister of Boston was a week-end guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Davis.

Miss Methyl Packard of Augusta spent the Christmas week-end with her sister, Miss Ida Packard.

Richard Whittemore, a recent guest at Dr. and Mrs. S. S. Greenleaf's, has gone to Connecticut.

Henry Flint is somewhat improved, having been confined to his home by illness several days.

Miss Elaine Warren who has been attending school in Boston has accepted a position at Calais.

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Brown and daughter Ann visited John Sweeney and family in Millfield, N. H., Sunday.

Miss Virginia Chapman of Augusta is spending a vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. P. S. Chapman.

Mrs. Flora Gibbs and daughter Mary are this week's guests of Mr. and Mrs. Wendell Gibbs in Penobscot, Mass.

Phyllis and George Merrill are spending the week with their grandmother, Mrs. Minnie Luxton, at Kezar Falls.

Miss Helen Fogg is spending a few days in Lewiston. Miss Barbara Luxton is taking her place at Bethel Theatre.

Mrs. Stanley Wentzell and daughter Mary are spending the Christmas vacation with Mr. Wentzell at Kennebago.

Miss Mollie Davis, fifth grade teacher, is spending the Christmas vacation with Mr. and Mrs. Fred Davis, South Paris.

Mrs. Mara Webster of Farmington and Miss Mina Stevens of Newry are guests of their sister, Mrs. S. S. Greenleaf.

Mrs. Harvey Jones and children, Esther and Roland, of Auburn are visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. I. Bean, this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Brown, Edwin and John Brown, also Mrs. Addie Mason, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Brown Christmas day.

Paul C. Thurston spent Christmas with his son, Pvt. Murray Thurston, who is stationed at Fort Sam Houston, San Antonio, Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. Elwyn Storey of Dead River were Christmas guests of Mrs. L. W. Ramsell. Louise returned with her parents to go to school.

Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Wheeler, with Mr. and Mrs. Marsters York of Plainfield, Vt., were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Doyen Christmas Day.

Mrs. Frank Green was a recent guest of her parents, Rev. and Mrs. M. A. Gordon. Mrs. Green has received word of the arrival of her husband overseas.

Mrs. Mabel Robertson is confined to her home by illness. Mrs. Estella Goodridge and grandson, Reginald Kneeland of West Bethel are staying with her.

Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Mills entertained a family dinner party Christmas day which included Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Mundt, James Mundt, Miss Alice Mundt, Mr. and Mrs. Zenas Mills, Mr. and Mrs. Lester Bunker and grandson, Earle Colby.

CHURCH ACTIVITIES

Sunday, January 3

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

Rev. Herbert T. Wallace, Minister
9.30 a. m. Sunday School.
11.00 a. m. Morning worship.
Sermon subject, "The Victory That Overcometh"—Getting down to the fundamentals.
Let us begin the New Year with many good resolutions that will not be given up during the whole of 1943.

BETHEL TEMPLE METHODIST CHURCH

M. A. Gordon, pastor
9.45 Church School, Leslie Davis, Supt. Classes for All.
11.00 Sunday Morning Worship. Covenant Sunday. Special singing by the junior and senior choirs. Mrs. Mildred Lyon, Arlene Greenleaf and Robert Greenleaf, directors. Subject of sermon, "A New Road." Holy Communion 6.30 Epworth League.
7.30 Evening Service.
Evening and morning, and at noon, will I pray, and cry aloud, and he shall hear my voice, Psalms.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE CHURCH

Services Sunday morning at 10:45.

Wednesday evening meetings on second Wednesday of each month. "God" is the subject of the Lesson-Sermon that will be read in all Churches of Christ, Scientist, on Sunday, Jan. 3.

BORN

In Portland, Dec. 16, to Mr. and Mrs. Leo Stearns, formerly of Albany, a son.

In West Bethel to Mr. and Mrs. Burton Newton, a son, Roy Burton.

MARRIED

In West Paris, Dec. 24, by Rev. Eleanor B. Forbes, Richard Hooper Briggs of Turner and Miss Dorothy Irene Nason of Auburn.

In Bethel, Dec. 25, by Rev. M. A. Gordon, Richard C. Sweetser and Miss Phyllis W. Daye.

DIED

In Hartland, George F. Felton, native of Greenwood, aged 77 years.

CHANGING SCENE

Fruit and vegetable growers and shippers are urged to stock up on used wooden boxes, crates, baskets, barrels and hampers for 1943 crops, and cotton growers should save and recondition old cotton bale ties. The telegraph industry will abandon its special services to customers, but low rate form messages may still go to members of the armed services. Production of alarm clocks will be resumed early next year. The nation's castor oil supply is at low ebb. The director of Defense Transportation urges the abandonment of all meetings and conventions, requiring travel, that do not contribute in an important way to winning the war.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Ireland of Bradford, Vt., Miss Leslie Ireland and Fremont Ireland came to spend the holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Ireland.

John McClain, principal of the Bethel Grammar School, is enjoying part of the vacation with his son, who is stationed at Tyndall Field, Panama City, Fla.

Those taking part in the Christmas program of the Methodist Sunday School were Bettyann Butters, Eleanor Sumner, Sylvia Dyke, Marie Mills, Joan Ward, Judy Freeman, Mary Stevens, Geniece Berry, Charlotte Stevens, Ruth Hall, Mary Ann Hall, Athalia Hall, Mary Ford, Alan Dyke, Arthur Mills, Paul Fossett, Barry York.

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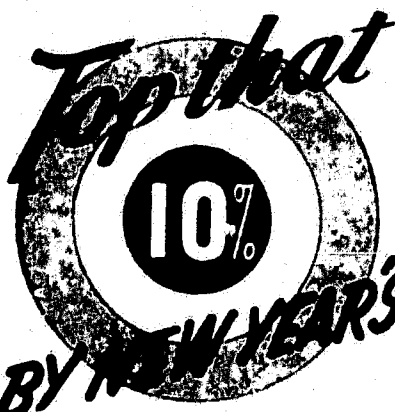


AT SURINAM IN DUTCH GUIANA, important United Nations base for the protection of the Caribbean, the Panama Canal and South Atlantic convoys, a native anti-aircraft gunner of the Netherlands Army keeps watch for possible enemy planes. With increasing U-boat activity off the South American coast Dutch Guiana has taken on added strategic importance.

BEAR RIVER GRANGE ELECTS OFFICERS

Bear River Grange of Newry held its regular meeting Saturday evening, Dec. 26. Officers elected for 1943 are:

M.—Cheslie Saunders
Over.—George Stearns
Lect.—Mary Ladd
Ast. Stew.—A. C. Saunders
Stew.—Elizabeth Wight
Chap.—Amy Bennett
Treas.—E. E. Bennett
Ceres.—Addie Saunders
Sec.—Susan Wight
G. K.—L. E. Wight
Pomona.—Una Stearns
Flora.—Pearl Kilgore
L. A. S.—Mary Stearns
Executive Comm. — Ernest L. Holt



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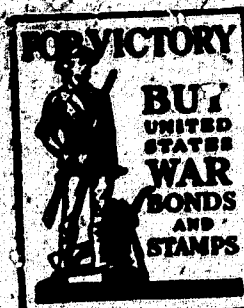
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This is a plan for rationing articles by groups. One group includes meats, cheese, etc. Some items will have more value than others. For example, a pound of hamburger steak will take more points than a pound of soup bone. Also, according to the plan of rationing, it will take fewer points to buy articles that are plentiful than to buy articles that are scarce. For example, it will take fewer "points" to buy eggs.

You may spend your points as you wish for the rationed articles. When your points are used, you will be able to buy any rationed items until the next rationing period.

Any person entering military service should turn in his Ration Book No. 1 to his local War Relocation Authority and Rationing Board. Every person is entitled to a Ration Book.

SERVICE FOLKS RECEIVE GIFTS FROM HOME

The holiday packages sent to those in the service by their families and friends are a great help to them. The packages are sent to their destinations in the States before Christmas. The packages are much appreciated. We hope the notes of appreciation which will well repay the people who contributed to the project.

Harlingen Army Gun
Harlingen, Texas

To the Bethel Home

I want to express my appreciation to those who have so generously contributed to my holiday box.

It means a lot to me to receive mail from home and to receive mailings like this. It brings me back to home especially at this time of year. Thanking you all.

Sincerely,
A/C HOWARD F.

Dear Folks,
I received the Christmas box and want to thank you for it. I would like to wish you and your family a happy and prosperous New Year.

P. S. All goes well in the army.

To the "Bethel Home"
Many thanks for the Christmas box.

WINONA M.
2nd Lt., Army
Fitzsimons Co.
Denver, Colo.

Marine Barracks
New River,

Hello Everyone,
I received your Christmas box in perfect condition and I appreciate it. It is good to get something from home. With the support of all the folks from Bethel for the box, you always stand by me.

SHIRLEY

I wish to thank the "Home Folks" for the Christmas package, also all the relatives for the mail and remembrances.

Pvt. OLIN GEORGE
U. S. Army, Co.
Camp Crowder